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SUBJECT: EC-AFRICAN ASSOCIATION NEGOTIATIONS

1. MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MFA) REP MARTINEZ (OIC, EC EXTERNAL AFFAIRS) TOLD EMBOFF DURING NOVEMBER 5 DISCUSSION THAT NO PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE WITHIN EC ON QUESTION OF WHETHER ASSOCIATION ARRANGEMENTS WITH AFRICANS SHOULD PROVIDE FOR RECIPROCITY. HE SAID FRANCE HAS NOT BUDGED FROM PREVIOUS POSITION, BUT ITALY AND OTHER EC MEMBERS EQUALLY UNWILLING ACCEPT FRENCH VIEWS.

2. MARTINEZ SAID HE EXPECTS AFRICANS TO BREAK RANKS SOON ON
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RECIPROCITY ISSUE AND ADMITTED HE WAS SOMEWHAT SURPRISED THEY HAD

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MANAGED A UNITED FRONT FOR THIS LONG. ONCE SOME AFRICAN COUNTRIES
WILLING GRANT RECIPROCITY, HOWEVER, HE BELIEVES IT WILL BE MUCH
MORE DIFFICULT FOR OTHER EC MEMBERS TO RESIST FRENCH ARGUMENTATION.
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